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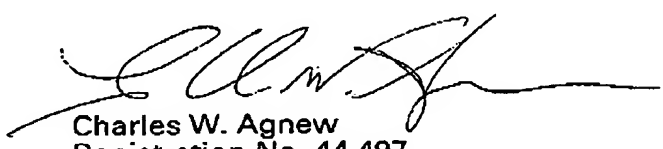
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FEE FOR CLAIMS

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	No. Extra	Rate	Calculations
Total No. of Claims	13	- 20	= 0	x \$ 50 =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	6	- 6	= 0	x \$200 =	\$ 0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if applicable				+ \$360 =	N/A
				TOTAL FEE:	\$0.00

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 13-2528 in the amount of \$450.00 for payment of the fee for two months extension of time. In the event of improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or to credit Deposit Account No. 13-2528 as required to correct the error.

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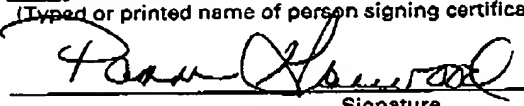
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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION  
REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 121

In response to the Election/Restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 in the Office Action of June 6, 2006, Applicant elects Group I that includes Claims 1, 7, and 18-25.

Although the foregoing discussion is believed to be dispositive of the issues in this case, Applicant's attorney requests a telephone interview with the

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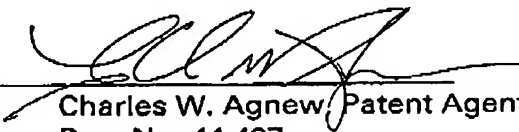
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Examiner should any unresolved issues remain after the Examiner's consideration of this response to the Election/Restriction requirement.

Respectfully submitted,

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